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RESPONSIVE TO THE ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the requirement to elect a single species in the Official action of July 5, 2005, applicants elect with traverse Species 3: Claims 3-13.

It is requested that the Examiner reconsider the election requirement and group Species 1 and 2 along with Species 3. The reason for this request is that a search for Species 3 would automatically entail a search for Species 1 and 2.

Respectfully submitted,

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